RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA, DEFINING AND ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICT IN DOWNTOWN WINSTON-SALEM

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina at its August 19, 2013 meeting, adopted a resolution which set forth that it was considering the definition and establishment of a "Municipal Service District" pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 23, Municipal Service Districts, of the North Carolina General Statutes, for property owned in the Downtown Winston-Salem area and authorized the publication of a notice of public hearing in accordance with Section 160A-537(c) of the North Carolina General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council have been advised that a notice of such public hearing was (a) published on the City of Winston-Salem's website and in the *Winston-Salem Journal* more than seven days in advance of the public hearing and (b) as certified by the City Secretary in the certificate attached hereto, mailed to the owners, as shown by the Forsyth County Tax records as of January 1, 2013 and at the addresses known thereon, of all property located within the proposed municipal service district on August 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council have been advised that a report containing:

- (1) A map of the proposed municipal service district, showing its proposed boundaries;
- (2) A statement showing that the proposed municipal service district meets the standards set out in Section 160A-537(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina; and
- (3) A plan for providing in the municipal service district one or more of the services listed in Section 160A-536 of the General Statutes of North Carolina

has been on file in the office of the City Secretary since August 19, 2013 and available for public inspection therein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council have conducted the public hearing required by Section 160A-537(c) of the North Carolina General Statutes with respect to the definition and establishment of the municipal service district and received comments thereon from members of the general public and owners of property located within the proposed municipal service district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. *Findings.* That the proposed municipal service district known as the Downtown Winston-Salem Business Improvement District is in need of improvements, services, functions, promotions, and developmental November 25, 2013 activities intended to further the public health, safety, welfare,

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convenience, and economic well-being of the downtown area to a demonstrably greater extent than the remainder of the city for the reasons outlined in the statement in the report described above.

- **Section 2.** *Identification and Definition.* That the municipal service district is to be identified as the Downtown Winston-Salem Business Improvement District and is to be defined as and to have the boundaries set forth in the map in the report described above.
- **Section 3. Discharge of the Plan.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized, directed and designated to take all steps necessary to discharge the plan for the Downtown Winston-Salem Business Improvement District in the report described above, including contracting with the Downtown Winston-Salem Partnership, in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws.
- **Section 4.** *Effective Date.* That this Resolution shall become effective on July 1, 2014.